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Fewer Road Deaths So Far This Year

Nine people died in eight Maine motor vehicle accidents in March. This compares with eleven highway deaths during the same month in 1953, and brings the fatality total for the first quarter of 1954 to 25—five under the mark for the first three months of last year.

The following table compares the Maine automobile accident situation for the first quarter of this year with that of the same period in 1953:

	1953	1954
Total persons killed	30	25
Total fatal accidents	27	24
Total pedestrians killed	9	3
Personal injury accidents	358	341
Persons injured	642	498
Property damage accidents	994	1033

For the first time since March of 1950—four years ago—Maine went through an entire month without a pedestrian death. The highway deaths during the first quarter of 1954 are the lowest on record, except for the war years, 1943-1944, the fact that there is a difference of only five between the number of fatalities for the first quarter of this year and the same period last year is significant. In order for Maine to make any appreciable reduction from last year's total of 172 highway deaths, this improvement of the first three months must be continued through the heavy fatality months just ahead. The 17% gain effected during the first quarter of 1954 is a step in the right direction. However, disregard of traffic rules, especially lack of respect for speed laws, can send the fatality rate soaring overnight. An increase in the volume of traffic adds to the danger at this time of year. Please drive carefully.

PURITY CHAPTER, OES, HELD REGULAR MEETING, APRIL 7

Purity Chapter, OES, held its regular meeting Wednesday April 7th, preceded by a pot luck supper served by Lucia Tikander, Patricia Bennett, Viola Luxton and Marie Brown. June Greig was installed as Esther by Harriet Noyes PM, and Ada Cummings PM. The officers worked the degrees.

The Worthy Matron, Helen Morton, announced the following committees to work on the Golden Anniversary, June 5th: Album—Ada Cummings, Gertrude Boyker, Ethel Hulse, Doris Bryant, Harriet Noyes, Grace Philbrook; Invitations—Annie Hastings, Elsie Waldron, Pauline Chaplin, Mary Keeney, June Greig, Eva Perry; Refreshments—Helen Runkels, Grace Merrill, Elizabeth Reynolds, Adeline Dexter, Cynthia Mason, Lynell Carter, Marie Brown, Ruth Wilson, Rachel MacKay, Rosalind Chapman, Marguerite Kendall; Decorations—Barbara Brown, Barbara Bryant, Dorothy York, Carolyn Forbes, Ethel Robertson, Norma Clark, Rena Helms, Polly Davison, Dining Room—Lucia Tikander, Patricia Bennett, Iva Hutchinson, Betty Anderson, Ruth Ames, Ada Durrell, Viola Luxton. The Worthy Matron will act as General Chairman. It was voted to invite the Grand Officers to do the initiation at that time.

The Ways and Means Club held its annual election of officers and the following were elected: President Rachel MacKay; Vice-President, Elsie Waldron; Secretary, Dorothy York; Treasurer, Helen Runkels. A committee to purchase draperies for the hall was appointed as follows: June Greig, Helen Morton, Patricia Bennett and Rachel MacKay. It was voted to serve a public baked bean supper Saturday evening, April 24th from 6 to 8 in the Maxine dining hall. Proceeds will be used as a special fund for the anniversary.

The Week in Oxford County

Phyllis J. Dragonas, Nita Hale of Gould Academy and George W. Freeland Jr., of the faculty of Hebron Academy were among those who attended the Northeast Conference on Foreign Languages at Brown University, Providence, R. I. during last week end.

Lloyd Tucker was elected selectman for Mexico to replace John C. MacKinnon, deceased. The election took place at a special town meeting Saturday.

Four fire departments answered a test call from Hebron Sanatorium Sunday morning. Run made it as follows: Mechanic Falls, 6.5 miles, 11 minutes; Hebron, 6 miles, 11 minutes; North Paris, 12 miles, 19 minutes; Norway, 18 miles, 24 minutes.

The Legislative Research Committee meeting at the State House in Augusta was faced with solid arguments against closing Hebron Sanatorium. Rev. Charles Peddle

COMMENTS FROM THE TOWN MANAGER'S OFFICE

Edward Lowell, one of the road men, recently took the International truck to Morrison's Garage (where it was purchased) to have a "No Spin Differential" installed. This was ordered some time ago and should be a real advantage to the performance of the truck. This automatically locks the wheels if one starts to spin. This will give the driver quite an advantage in mud and deep snow.

Mr. Shephard, representative of the State Tax Assessors office was a recent caller at the office. The annual audit is now being made by Millard Libby of the State Department. Mr. Libby has had a lot of municipal experience before joining the Department of Audit. Added to this his sound common sense and pleasing personality makes it a pleasure to work with him. This is the fourth year I have had the experience with Mr. Libby. Mr. Libby is staying at the Hotel Sudbury.

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MAINE TO EXHIBIT AT MONTREAL TRAVEL SHOW

Maine will be represented at the premier showing of the annual "Salon du Tourisme," Canada's International show to be held in Montreal, May 7-16. The State of Maine booth and display has been arranged through the joint efforts of the Maine Publicity Bureau, the Greater Portland Chamber of Commerce and the Maine Development Commission.

The show will be held in a newly constructed exhibition hall, The Palace of Commerce, covering an entire city block in the City of Montreal. It is being sponsored by the Government Travel Bureau of Canada.

J. Henry Johnson, conventions and special projects manager of the Publicity Bureau, and Donald H. McGovern, manager of the Portland Retail Trade Board, will be in charge of the State of Maine Exhibit.

Literature on the State will be distributed to the estimated 100,000 expected to attend the show, and French speaking personnel will be on duty, selling Maine travel and vacations to the Canadians from the Montreal area.

SUNSET REBEKAH LODGE

Sunset Rebekah Lodge will observe a night light at the meeting Monday night, April 12th. A pot luck supper will precede the meeting. An auction will be held following the meeting for the benefit of the cancer drive. Each member is requested to bring an article to auction. The gifts for the exchange tables at district meeting should be brought to this meeting and also the bags for the president's fund should be turned in.

The lodge will hold a food sale at the hall Saturday, May 8th. The committee in charge is Elsie Pease, chairman; Katherine Bennett, Cora Bennett, Gladys Guernsey and Mary Brown.

State of Maine PROCLAMATION

Whereas, the State of Maine, by legislative act of 1887, provides that there shall be annually set apart a day in the spring as "Arbor Day"; and

Whereas, the natural resources of our beautiful State will be present only through our untiring efforts toward conservation; and

Whereas, such provisions are of immediate importance to the State of Maine, because of the recreational and industrial value of our forests, and our determined effort at beautification of our highways and adjacent properties;

and

Whereas, the planting of new trees and shrubs is one way to accomplish the aims of beauty for the State and its people;

Now, Therefore, I, Burton M. Cross, Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby designate April 30, the last Friday of the month, as Arbor Day and urge our people, young and old, to continue to extend, whenever possible, their interest in the day and the purposes for which it is set aside each year.

GOULD SENIOR PLAY RAPIDLY SHAPING UP

Under David Thompson's direction, the annual Gould Academy senior play, the three-act comedy, "Mother is a Freshman," is nearly ready for production, with twice-daily rehearsals giving the final polish to this hit in which Loretta Young made such a success a year or so ago. Production is scheduled for Friday evening, April 23, with the curtain at eight sharp.

Several Bethel students will be making their initial appearance in local dramatics. Among these is Nancy Willard, who has a part as the freshman whose mother seems to be a rival for the affections of the adored biology professor, Nancy Carver will be seen as Bunny, a college freshman whose suitor, played by Bob Blake, ruins her feet with his awkward dancing. Mary Ann Myers is seen as Nancy Willard's devoted, if somewhat nosy, pal, Ray Nowlin's fine voice is heard to advantage as the snoring, pompous Dean Gillingham, very suspicious of "Mother's" motives in coming to dear old Pointer College. Ray, seen to advantage in several Gould operettas and one-act plays, has a truly "fat" character part which he plays to the hilt.

Among the dormitory students who are expected to score very well are Nancy Tallon, from Guilford, in the Loretta Young role, Gail Waldron, Sarah Dolloff, Val Stevens, Mary Hewitt, Jo Durham, Skip Pettapiece, Bill Hoag, Al Barth, and Peter St. Lawrence as the attractive, magnetic Professor Michaels.

IN AND ABOUT BETHEL

Claudia DeMonte is ill with the mumps.

Paul Fossett spent the day at Bowdoin College last Friday.

Miss Geneva Mitchell returned home Tuesday from a vacation in Florida.

Mrs. Charles Helms of Rockland is visiting at the home of her son, Charles Helms.

Major and Mrs. Sidney Dyke and Mrs. Helen Bean has returned after spending two months with Mrs. Ralph Cooke at Norway.

Mr. and Mrs. George Taylor visited friends and relatives in New York and Connecticut last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Grosvenor of Farmington were supper guests of Miss Mina Stevens, Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Elgin Tibbets brought their daughter, Dorene Lee from the Rumford hospital Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Heywood of Salt Lake City have been guests for a week of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Thurston.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lowell were dinner guests on Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Keith Kelly, Berlin, N. H.

Because of a conflict with the date of the Ladies Club rummage sale the WCSS sale has been postponed to May 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Doyen and daughter, Margery, of Portland, were week end guests at the home of Wesley Wheeler.

Eugene Linehan, Miss Margaret Whiting of Lewiston and Floyd Donahue of Sumner were Sunday guests at E. O. Donahue's.

Mrs. Blanche Berryman, Mrs. Katherine Bennett, Mrs. Hilda Donahue, and Mrs. Elsie Pease attended Evergreen Rebekah Lodge last Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Johnson, Ronald and Ronald of Bailey's Island, were guests at Ronald Stevens' Tuesday and Wednesday.

Mrs. Marilyn Adams, home economics teacher at Hangeley, is spending a week's vacation with her mother, Mrs. Katharine Adams.

Mrs. Marilyn Hebert and Rhonda Mae were week end guests at the home of her grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hebert at Rumford.

D Grover Brooks has bought land of P. H. Chabourne below the railroad, including the former Standard Oil Co. property and will put up tanks for his oil business.

Sunday guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Eames were Mr. and Mrs. Carl Eames, Carol Ann, Robert and Ronald of Gorham, N. H.; also Mr. and Mrs. Gus Plummer from Waterville.

Sunday guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Davis were Mrs. Flora Hutchinson, Gary and Judith of Carthage; Mr. and Mrs. Porter Swan, Keith and Andrea of Bryant Pond.

The West Parish Guild of the Congregational Church entertained the Eleanor Gordon Guild at supper Wednesday evening. A movie "The Hidden Heart" was shown following supper.

Brown's Troop No. 4 met Tuesday at the home of their leader, Mrs. Robert Keniston. A short business meeting was held after a series of games. Committees for next meeting and refreshments—Carol Keniston, Games—Judy Currier and Nancy Lea Saunders; Sunshine Committee—Bonnie Whitman and Bethann Brown. There will be no meeting during vacation.

Ask Clean-Up Period Week of May 9-15

In line with Governor Cross' designation of the week of May 9-15 as Clean-Up Week, the people of Bethel are urged to cooperate in the spirit of the movement and improve the appearance of his home and property. It is hoped that every home owner or occupant will do all possible to make his or her immediate surroundings attractive. Owners of vacant lots or property are urged to put them into a condition other than unsightly. It is expected that by that time the village streets will be cleaned and marked for parking.

Public spirited citizens have volunteered to furnish trucks for the disposal of trash and rubbish which the owners may be able to remove. With everyone working together during this clean-up activity it will be possible for us to enhance the lavish setting nature has provided for us and to have even greater pride of our community.

GOVERNOR FIXES MAY 9-15 AS CLEAN-UP WEEK

Governor Burton M. Cross has designated the week of May 9 through 15 as "Clean-Up Week" in Maine.

"Due to the unusually late Spring weather, it seems advisable this year to have 'Clean-Up Week' a little later than usual."

"As in the past few years, it has been the custom of towns and cities through our beloved State to cooperate with State officials and local Chambers of Commerce to have a general clean-up period."

"The State Highway Commission will be out in force during this period to clean our highways of the winter's accumulation of rubbish. Keeping our highways clean is a task in itself, and I cannot urge too strongly the cooperation needed from the citizens of our State in this important undertaking."

"Soon we will begin to feel the annual influx of the tourist business. Let's all make a pledge to 'Get Maine Clean, and Keep It Clean,' making our State more attractive to the many guests who will soon be traveling our highways," said Governor Cross.

COLONEL ALGER RETURNING FROM KOREA NEXT MONTH

Colonel James D. Alger will leave Korea April 27, where he has been Chief of Staff of the Korean Military Advisory Group since last November. Prior to that time he served as Chief of Staff with the 10th Infantry Division. On his way home he will join Mrs. Alger in the Philippines for a visit with her family, before flying to the States. He expects to be in Maine to meet friends in this vicinity the latter part of May. His next assignment is at Fort Hood, Texas.

BETHEL BAZAAR COMMITTEE TO MEET TOMORROW NIGHT

The Spring planning meeting for the Bethel Bazaar will be held Friday night, April 16, at the American Legion Home. All interested are requested to be in attendance.

EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS FOR 1st QUARTER DUE APRIL 30

Employer contributions covering the quarter ending March 31, 1954, are due in the office of the Maine Employment Security Commission, 331 Water Street, Augusta, Maine, on or before April 30, 1954.

Employers are reminded that placing contributions in the mail on the due date which are not received by the Commission on the same date would not be in compliance with the Maine Employment Security Law. The penalty for late payment of contributions is severe.

Mrs. Earl Davis was honor guest at a birthday party on Sunday. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Davis, Thomas and Andrew, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Keniston, Martha, Rebecca, Rachel, and David; Mr. and Mrs. Earl Davis.

The meeting of the Parent-Teacher Association to have been held at West Bethel on Wednesday evening, April 21, has been cancelled because of illness of committee members. The next meeting will be held at Crescent Park School on May 10.

The MEC's held a pot luck supper and meeting at the home of Jane Kneeland Monday night. Fern Jordan, president, presided over the business meeting. Plans for the Rebekah food sale to be held May 8 were discussed. The next meeting will be May 10th at the home of Mrs. Maude Hunt.

Jeffery Hutchins celebrated his 11th birthday with a party at his home on Sunday, March 28. After a Scavenger Hunt and several games, refreshments were served. Jeff received many fine gifts. His guests were: Peter Davis, Harriet Noyes, David Salway, Melvin Jordan, Donald Chubb, Donald Rice, Donny Young, Judy Howe, Lillian Beveridge, Tim and Jeff Hutchins.

E. LEROY BROWN

E. Leroy Brown passed away this forenoon at his home on Main Street, after a week's illness.

He was born in Bridgton July 15, 1890, the son of Ernest and Maria Lord Brown. He was engaged in farming before coming here from Fryeburg 18 years ago. Here he and Mrs. Brown established Brown's Variety Store which they have since operated.

He was a member of the Fryeburg lodge of Knights of Pythias. He is survived by his wife, who was formerly Abbie Richardson; two sons, James and Alfred, of Bethel; two daughters, Miss Arlene Brown of Fryeburg, Mass., and Mrs. Rachel MacKay of Bethel; six grandchildren; two brothers, William of Bridgton and Shirley of East Fryeburg; and a sister, Mrs. Evelyn Stone of Fryeburg.

WALLACE H. WARREN

Wallace H. Warren of East Rumford was stricken last Thursday while doing carpentry at Hanover. Death was attributed to heart disease.

He was born Aug. 16, 1892, at Newry, son of William A. and Matilda Stearna Warren. He was a member of Oxford Bear Lodge, K. of P., Hanover. During World War II, he served in the Bethel State Guard.

As a young man he learned the blacksmith trade at Bethel, and for several years before moving to Rumford 10 years ago, operated a blacksmith shop in Bethel.

Surviving are his widow, the former Mabel Godwin, four sisters, Mrs. Robert Thurston, East Poland, Mrs. Elson Hammond, Livermore, Mrs. Sadie Brown, Massachusetts, and Mrs. Alton Durkee, Warren, Penna.; his mother, of Massachusetts; five daughters, Mrs. Donald Stanley, South Portland, Mrs. Wilson Bartlett, East Rumford, Mrs. Charles Rogers, Ossining, N. Y., Mrs. Harold Hessegrave, Montrose, N.Y., and Mrs. Betty James, East Rumford; 17 grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at the Meader & Son funeral home, Rumford. Rev. Harold R. Yates officiating.

MRS. HARVEY PHILBROOK

Mrs. Harvey C. Philbrook, the former Jennie M. Olla, died Wednesday at the CMG Hospital, where she had been a patient a week.

She was the daughter of George and Mary Brown Olla and was born at Grafton April 13, 1871. She taught school before her marriage to the late Harvey C. Philbrook in 1899. They lived in Bethel and Florida before going to Greene in 1900. She was active in community affairs, and a member of the Universalist Church, Andreogoggin Grange, and the Helping Hand Society.

Surviving are a son Wendell O. of Greene; two granddaughters, Barbara E. and Jean E. Philbrook of Greene, and three nieces and two nephews.

Funeral services will be held at the Bragdon-Flanders funeral home in Monmouth at 2 o'clock Friday afternoon. Burial will be in the Valley Cemetery, Greene.

GALA EVENT MAY 15TH

The Bethel Auxiliary of the Rumford Hospital is sponsoring a brand new event this year—a Smorgas-bord. This promises to be great fun, both for the folks who like to dance, and at last for those who don't—for everyone loves to eat! Some folks are even bringing cards, or scrabble.

All this fun will be held in the William Bingham Gymnasium on May 15th from 6:30 to 11:30 p.m. We are happy to say that Lord's Orchestra will play for us.

Tickets may be obtained at the drug store or from members of the Auxiliary. Be sure to engage a table at no extra cost at the drug store, as unfortunately tables are limited. There is a strong campaign to sell all tickets in two weeks, so the problem of food may be abundantly handled. So don't put it off! Take off those last 5 years by having a rousing good time!

The committee in charge of this "Fine and Dandy" affair are as follows: Ruth Boynton, Carolyn Forbes, Connie Thurston, Barbara Bryant, Barbara Douglass, Dorothy York and Mary Chabourne.

LIGHTS ON FOR CANCER

A Lights On for Cancer campaign will be held next Thursday evening, April 22, from 7 to 8 o'clock.

Guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Browne on Tuesday were Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Wall of Bethel, Mass., Mrs. Walter Wall and Mrs. Leon Enman of Newry.

GOULD SENIOR PLAY

"Mother is a Freshman" A Three-Act Comedy

Friday Evening at 8:00

APRIL 23

WM. BINGHAM GYM

Admission Adults 65¢; Students 40¢

Four Bethel Students Win Gould Honors

Gould Academy honor parts of the class of 1954 were announced Wednesday by Headmaster Elwood F. Ireland as follows: Mary Anne Myers, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur R. Myers, Bethel, valedictorian; Paul Fossett, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Fossett, Bethel, salutatorian; Frank L. Flint, son of Mrs. Henry M. Flint, Bethel, third honor; Gail Waldron, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Waldron, Poland, fourth honors; Richard Onofrio, son of Mr. and Mrs. Angelo Onofrio, Bethel, fifth honor.

McHENRY BOATWRIGHT CONCERT WELL-ATTENDED

Last Thursday evening the William Bingham Gymnasium was filled with listeners—good listeners to good music. Mr. Boatwright, a true artist, presented his songs in a fine baritone, pleasant to hear, his audience was ready for his songs that reach the heart. The program was rich in variety, musically consistent and delivered by a soloist ready to give them that kind of singing. With the able support of Walter Marcuse as accompanist, the singer marked a new milestone in progress and those attending found satisfaction expressed in music.

After the closing number, the lovely May carol wishing a beautiful May to everyone, Mrs. Marcuse opened her home for a friendly reception where several came to express personally their appreciation of the evening's performance.

Again the Bethel Music Group has presented outstanding entertainment for the community, and are receiving congratulations.

LIONS CLUB TO SPONSOR "SCOTCH-LITE" FOR BIKES

In the interest of public safety during the coming (7) summer months the Bethel Lions Club is sponsoring a drive to make bicycles safer on our roads and local streets after dark.

On Saturday April 24 and Sunday May 1 between the hours of 1 and 4 p.m. Lions will apply "Scotch Lite" tape free of charge to all bicycles in Bethel and vicinity. To avoid congestion in the business district this project will take place in the Masonic parking lot on lower Chapman Street and in Lion Stan Davis' driveway opposite the theater. This project was made possible by the purchase of this tape by motorists over the past few months, and its success will depend upon the cooperation of all local cyclists.

Be safe at night with "Scotch-Lite."

How many bulb snatchers in your home or place of business? The Bethel Lions would like to help you with your problem. In the near future they will be canvassing the town with their "Bags of Bulbs." But you have a half dozen empty sockets now and you should always keep a few extras on hand. Check your needs now, and notify a Lion. Remember that the proceeds will be used to make Bethel a better community to live in.

REBEKAH ASSEMBLY WARDEN VISITS LOCAL LODGE

Sunset Rebekah Lodge held a regular meeting Monday evening, April 5, when Maud Gethell of Brower, Warden of the Rebekah Assembly, made her official visitation. Also present were Mrs. Mary Hibler, West Paris, District Deputy President, and Mrs. Marie Hibler, West Paris, Marshal.

The degree was conferred on two candidates, and the Lodge was presented the Certificate of Merit Mrs. Annie Cotton. 382 received the Certificate of Perfection. Gifts were presented to the guests.

The Lodge voted to have Visiting Officers Night on May 17. At the next meeting April 19 there will be a Chinese Auction to raise money to help send a girl to Dighton State, there will also be a pot-luck supper preceding the meeting.

DANCE

Newry Corner Grange Hall—EVERY FRIDAY NIGHT

Muscle by Len Wright and His Old Timers—Fancy and Square Dances 81 PRIZE

We will gladly help you with Your Flower Needs

PLEASE CALL EARLY GRACE F. COBURN

Easter Sunday is April 18

G. L. Kneeland, D. O.

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BRYANT POND

Mrs. Edith C. Abbott, Corres. — Mrs. Esther Pierce, Norway, was the week end guest of her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Bean.

Miss June Sweetser, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sweetser, is ill at her home from rheumatic fever.

Mrs. Evie Lappin and daughter, Miss Helen Lappin, Portland, were the guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Cushman.

Mrs. Benjamin Warner Jr. and sons, John and Seth, will go to Dalton, Mass., Friday, to visit her mother, Mrs. Edwin Wolcott, for a week.

Theodore Dunham has been confined to his home, following an attack of asthma Friday. Arthur Ring is carrying mail for him.

Mrs. Fred M. Cole entertained her nieces, Misses Faye and Sylvia Cushman, Auburn, over the week end.

Mrs. Herman Billings plans to go Friday to spend Easter with her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Hooper, South Portland.

The stated meeting of Jefferson Chapter, OES, will be held Friday night, April 16, with the newly elected officers in the chairs. Committees will be appointed by the Worthy Matron, Elsie Bennett, and refreshments served after the meeting.

The Universalist Youth Fellowship met at the Town Hall Monday night and the following delegates were chosen to attend the State Convention of the UYF, at the Federated Church, Lewiston, April 23 and 24: Nancy Denney, Sylvia Ring, Leatrice Barnum, Herbert Whitman, Charles Johnson, and Maynard Cushman.

Those who attended the hearing

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EAST BETHEL

Mrs. David S. Foster, Corres. — Miss Mary Hastings and Warren Hastings have returned to their studies at the University of Maine after spending their vacation at home.

Edward Hastings has returned to his studies at the University of New Hampshire after being at home for his vacation.

Eugene Houle is able to do his work now after being ill for a long time.

Mr. and Mrs. George Gamble of Lewiston were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hastings.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Fuller of West Bethel were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Al Curtis.

Mrs. Florence Curtis visited Mrs. Martha Allen and Leon Turner in Turner Sunday and then went to the OMG Hospital in Lewiston to see her brother, Red Merrill, who is a patient there.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Bean of Rumford were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Urban Bartlett.

Clifford Aresnault of East Milton was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Urban Bartlett Sunday.

There will be an Extension Meeting at the home of Mrs. Marguerite Bartlett on April 21 in the evening. This meeting is "Housework Makes

on the closing of the Hebron Sanatorium, held at Augusta Tuesday, were Mr. and Mrs. Howard Judkins, Orono Mills, Mrs. Alden Chase, and Mrs. Abner Mann.

It is reported that K. Kirke Stowell, who is a patient at the Mass. Gen. Hospital, Boston, is Boston, is gaining slowly and is able to walk a few steps.

Judith Grover Tent, No. 17, D. of U. V., met Monday night with Mrs. Bessie Andrews. Voted to send cards to Mrs. Rowena Dunham, who is in the hospital, also to Mrs. Mildred Dunham, with a sunshine box and birthday cake. Mrs. Bessie Andrews was appointed to see that the flag is raised over the Honor Roll. It was reported that over \$17.00 was cleared from the rummage sale. Plans were made for securing a band, a speaker and flags for Memorial Day. Birthday cakes and ice cream were served in honor of Mrs. Bessie House, Mrs. Mildred Dunham and Mrs. Alice Wardwell. An interesting program was given.

Jane and Jean Wardwell gave their mother, Mrs. Alice Wardwell, a birthday party Tuesday evening. She received many nice gifts and a birthday cake.

The Ladies' Aid of the Baptist Church will serve a supper at the home of Mrs. Verna Swan Wednesday, April 21, at 5:30 p. m., in charge of the following committee: Mrs. Beatrice Barnum, Mrs. Helen Ring, and Mrs. Ruth Dunham.

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WEST BETHEL

Mrs. Ruth Gilbert, Corres. — Members of West Bethel Union Church will hold their annual meeting this Tuesday at 7:30 p. m. at Mr. and Mrs. Paul Head's.

There will be an Easter Service at the church Sunday, 7:30 p. m. Rev. Peter Gowling will conduct the services.

Pleasant Valley Grange met last Thursday night with Worthy Master Chester Wheeler in the chair. There were visitors present from Sugar Loaf Grange, Mexico; Rumford Grange; Swift River Grange; Dixfield; Alder River Grange, East Bethel; and Bear River Grange, Newry. First and second degrees were taken by the following candidates: Mr. and Mrs. George Stowell Jr.; Michael Stowell, Linwood Westleigh, Paul Korhonen, Eldred

Young.

Mrs. Nellie Olson and Neil Olson have been ill with the mumps. Sharon and Muriel Boyce have the measles.

Mr. and Mrs. Ken Scribner have a television set now.

The Lucky Clover 4-H Club held a regular meeting at the home of Mrs. Margaret Ring on April 11. All but one member were present. The subject matter was sewing and Mrs. Ring assisted the leader with this. After the meeting the girls employed popping corn and toasting marshmallows in the fireplace. The next meeting will be a cooking meeting at the home of the leader, Mrs. Margaret Ring, on April 25.

Al Curtis is improving slowly but steadily and is now able to get around a lot.

Children of Bethel and Mrs. Eva Swan of Locke Mills were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Tyler, Sunday.

Mrs. Gladys Tyler is feeling much better, but is still unable to do any work. Mrs. Eva St. Pierre is helping her this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Colby and daughter, Linda, of Bowdoinham, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Smith, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Smith and sons, Charles, Ronnie, and Harold, of South Rumford, were visitors of Mrs. Nannette Foster, Monday.

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Rolle, Philip Korhonen, David Head, the Misses June Burris, Lorita York, Edith Walker, Carol York and Nancy Davis. A donation of \$2 was voted for the Grange Cottage. Several members from visiting Granges were called on to speak. Refreshments of cake and ice cream were served.

Mrs. Norman Hall, Miss Ruth Hall, Bethel, and Mrs. Robert Parker, South Portland, called on Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gilbert, Saturday.

Linda Burris, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Burris, has the mumps.

Mr. and Mrs. Shirley Gilbert and family were in Rumford, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Walker were in Lewiston Tuesday.

Franklin Burris was at home from Portland for the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Gilbert and family and Robert Gilbert were in Norway, Sunday.

Mrs. Richard Walker was confined with a cold during the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph MacDonald, Berlin, N. H., were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Hutchinson.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Watson and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Morrill, Norway, called Sunday on Arthur Morrill.

Mrs. Edward Casey and daughter, Sharon, returned to Pogonuk Bridge, Conn., Monday after spending several days with Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Johnson.

Miss Nancy Lowell, Attleboro, Mass., has returned home after spending several days with Mr. and Mrs. Hazen Lowell.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hancock attended Mt. Pine Grange, Gorham, N. H., Wednesday.

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Ruth B. Lord
Laurice, Robert and Linda Lord

STATE OF MAINE

Oxford, ss.

TO THE HONORABLE JUSTICES OF THE SUPERIOR COURT to be held at Paris, within and for said County of Oxford, on the 2nd Tuesday of June, A. D. 1954.

Respectfully, Represents, Helen M. Harding, Plaintiff at Bethel in the County of Oxford and State of Maine that she was lawfully married to Durward Harding of Paris, unknown at Gorham in the County of Coos and State of New Hampshire on the twenty-ninth day of August, A. D. 1953, by ... duly authorized to solemnize marriages therein;

That the Libellant and Libellee cohabited in this State after their said marriage;

That the Libellant resided in this state when the cause of divorce accrued as hereinafter set forth;

That the Libellant has resided in this State in good faith for one year prior to the commencement of these proceedings;

That the Libellee was a resident of this State; but now of parts unknown;

That the Libellant has ever been faithful to her marriage obligations, but that the said Libellee has been unfaithful of the same;

That there is no collusion between your Libellant and the said Libellee to obtain a divorce;

That on the fifteenth day of October, A. D. 1953, said Libellee utterly deserted your Libellant without reasonable cause and has continued said desertion ever since;

That being of sufficient ability and being able to labor and provide for her, said Libellee grossly, wantonly and cruelly refuses or neglects to provide suitable maintenance for your Libellant;

That since marriage the said Libellee has been addicted to gross and confirmed habits of intoxication from the use of intoxicating liquors, opium or other drugs;

That said Libellee is, and ever since the aforesaid marriage has been impotent, and that said impotency is incurable;

That said Libellee has been guilty of extreme cruelty toward your said Libellant;

That the said Libellee has been guilty of cruel and abusive treatment toward your said Libellant;

That no children have been born to them during their said marriage;

Wherefore, your Libellant prays that a divorce from the bonds of matrimony between herself and the said Libellee may be decreed;

Also that reasonable alimony may be decreed to your Libellant out of the estate of the said Libellee, or, in lieu thereof, that a specific sum may be paid to her by him;

And your Libellant further alleges that the residence of said Libellee is unknown to your Libellant and cannot be ascertained by reasonable diligence.

Dated at Bethel, Maine this twenty-ninth day of March, A. D. 1954.

Helen M. Harding Libellant
STATE OF MAINE
Oxford, ss.

Oxford, March 29th, A. D. 1954. Personally appeared Helen M. Harding above named Libellant and made oath that the foregoing allegation as to the residence of the Libellee is true.

Before me,
Gerry Brooks
Justice of the Peace

(Seal)
STATE OF MAINE
County of Oxford, ss.

Superior Court, in Vacation) April 8, A. D. 1954)
Upon the foregoing Libel, Ordered, That the Libellant give notice to the said Durward Harding to appear before the Justice of our Superior Court, to be held at Paris, within and for the County of Oxford, on the second Tuesday of June, A. D. 1954, by publishing an attested copy of said libel, and this order thereon, three weeks successively in the Bethel Oxford County Citizen, a newspaper printed in Bethel, in our County of Oxford, the last publication to be thirty days at least prior to said second Tuesday of June, 1954, that he may there and then in our said Court appear and show cause, if any he have, why the prayer of said Libellant should not be granted.

Leonard F. Williams
Justice of the Superior Court.
A true copy of the libel and order of court thereon.
Attest: - Rupert F. Aldrich, Clerk.
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SONGO POND

Mrs. Ralph Kimball, Corres. - Mrs. Earle Keniston and Lona, Warren Lapham, Mrs. Howard Lapham and Byron, Mrs. Phyllis Lapham and Richard and Judy, Laraine Leighton, Mrs. George Logan and Jimmie and Ronald, attended a birthday party Friday night for Laurel Arsenault in Gorham, N. H., on her fifth birthday.

Mrs. Jennie Mayberry visited Mrs. Joseph Dillon and family at Pigeon Hill, Friday.

Mrs. Phyllis Lapham and Judy were in Berlin shopping Saturday.

Mrs. and Mrs. George Logan and family were in Norway Saturday shopping and to visit his mother, Mrs. Carrie Logan. Mrs. Logan expects to return to her own home this week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Bean and family returned home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Logan and family were visiting the Everett Howes in Bryant Pond, Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Raymond Arsenault and children, Laurel and Lee, of Gorham, N. H., visited relatives here Monday.

Sylvia Sue Kimball and Duane Cross are attending the nursery school being conducted by the Home Ec girls at the Home Ec Cottage.

Mrs. Ralph Kimball and Sylvia Sue were in Mechanic Falls, Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Howard Lapham was in Berlin, Wednesday.

Richard and Judy Lapham are on the sick list, also Peanut Lapham.

Rowe Cummings was calling on friends here, Sunday.

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To the members of the American Legion Auxiliary and all friends and neighbors who contributed to my surprise birthday shower of cards and other gifts. With sincere thanks,

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The Extension Service in Maine receives financial support from county, state, and federal governments and from the County Extension Associations.

Synopsis of the annual statement of AMERICAN BONDING COMPANY OF BALTIMORE

Baltimore, Maryland
On the 31st day of December 1953 made to the Insurance Department of the State of Maine

Assets	
Bonds	\$1,094,702.14
Stocks	886,072.40
Cash and Bank Deposits	477,292.54
Agents' Balances or Un-	
collected Premiums	477,292.54
Other Assets	70,012.51

Total Assets	\$3,015,307.77
Liabilities, Surplus and Other Funds	
Reserve for Taxes	\$60,000.00
All Other Liabilities	\$60,000.00

Total Liabilities	\$120,000.00
Capital Paid Up or Statutory Deposit	\$1,000,000.00
Unassigned Funds (Surplus)	\$2,094,227.54
Surplus as Regards Policyholders	\$3,094,227.54

1953-54 Total	\$3,015,307.77
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Synopsis of the annual statement of VERMONT MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY

Rutland, Vermont
On the 31st day of December 1953 made to the Insurance Department of the State of Vermont

Assets	
Bonds	\$234,275.23
Stocks	43,212.00
Real Estate Owned	47,538.30
Mortgage Loans on Real Estate	130,441.20
Cash and Bank Deposits	14,603.09
Other Assets	26,414.08

Total Assets	\$407,316.10
Liabilities, Surplus and Other Funds	
Reserve for Losses	\$65,709.70
Loss Adjustment Expenses	4,000.00
Unearned Premiums	\$5,588.75
Taxes	24,250.00
All Other Liabilities	3,499.21

Total Liabilities	\$104,137.66
Special Surplus Funds	\$10,000.00
Capital Paid Up or Statutory Deposit	\$100,000.00
Unassigned Funds (Surplus)	\$201,178.44
Surplus as Regards Policyholders	\$311,178.44

1953-54 Total	\$407,316.10
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SYNOPSIS OF THE ANNUAL STATEMENT OF THE AMERICAN MOTORISTS' INSURANCE COMPANY

On the 31st day of December 1953 made to the Insurance Department of the State of Maine

Assets	
Bonds	\$1,148,821.00
Stocks	1,228,812.00
Cash and Bank Deposits	477,292.54
Agents' Balances or Un-	
collected Premiums	477,292.54
Other Assets	70,012.51

Total Assets	\$3,015,307.77
Liabilities, Surplus and Other Funds	
Reserve for Losses	\$65,709.70
Loss Adjustment Expenses	4,000.00
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ALBANY HUNT'S CORNER AND VICINITY

Mrs. Marian Bumpus, Corres.

The Palm Sunday church service was held at the church Sunday evening at 7:30. The following members of the Pilgrim Fellowship, Athol Hall, Kenneth Bumpus, Urban Leighton, and Ronald Snyder, assisted with the Scripture, Responsive Reading and Offering. The Fellowship choir added a great deal to the service.

The Albany Improvement Association held their annual meeting at the Town House, Thursday evening, April 8, and the following Board of Directors were re-elected: Marian Bumpus, Barton Keniston, L. J. Andrews, Hugh Stearns, Annie Bumpus, Howard Leighton, 22 Lopham. At the Director's meeting the following officers were re-elected: President, Marian Bumpus; Vice President, Barton Keniston; Secretary, Annie Bumpus; Treasurer, Hugh Stearns.

The Hilda Ives Class Meeting was held Wednesday evening, April 7, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Spring. Mrs. Myrtle Keniston had charge of devotions and Mrs. Annie Bumpus was the work leader for preparing articles for the summer sale. Refreshments were served following the meeting. Another good crowd attended the dance held at the Grange Hall Saturday night for the benefit of the Mountaineers.

The Mountaineers held their weekly meeting Friday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Inman. Several of the ladies cleaned the church Wednesday of last week. Sunday callers of Mr. and Mrs. John Spinney were Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Smith and family of Mechanic Falls and Mrs. Thankful Cobb. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Spring, Mrs. Myrtle Keniston had charge of devotions and Mrs. Annie Bumpus was the work leader for preparing articles for the summer sale. Refreshments were served following the meeting. Another good crowd attended the dance held at the Grange Hall Saturday night for the benefit of the Mountaineers.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Inman took their son, Andy, to Rumford to have a tooth extracted one day last week. Mr. and Mrs. Albert Keniston and daughter, Phyllis, and Joseph Amick, of Portland, were Sunday callers of Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Andrews.

Sunday callers of Mrs. Melba Hall and family were Mr. and Mrs. Norman Hall of Bethel, Mrs. Joanne Bean of Portland, Mrs. Madeline Bartlett of Kennebunk, and Mrs. Beverly Knight, of Kennebunkport.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Stearns were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Meserve at Bethel. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hazelton and family of Bridgton were Sunday

Synopsis of the Annual Statement of Hartford Fire Insurance Co.

Hartford, Connecticut
On the 31st day of December 1953

Assets	
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Stocks	1,228,812.00
Cash and Bank Deposits	477,292.54
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Synopsis of the Annual Statement of Northwestern Fire and Marine Insurance Company

Minneapolis, Minnesota
On the 31st day of December, 1953

Assets	
Bonds	\$1,148,821.00
Stocks	1,228,812.00
Cash and Bank Deposits	477,292.54
Agents' Balances or Un-	
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Synopsis of the Annual Statement of Citizens Insurance Company of New Jersey

Hartford, Connecticut
On the 31st day of December, 1953

Assets	
Bonds	\$1,148,821.00
Stocks	1,228,812.00
Cash and Bank Deposits	477,292.54
Agents' Balances or Un-	
collected Premiums	477,292.54
Other Assets	70,012.51

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Liabilities, Surplus and Other Funds	
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GREENWOOD CITY

Mrs. Collis Morgan, Corres.

Alfred Hakala left on Friday with the seniors of West Paris high school for a trip to Washington, D. C.

Alfred Saarinen of Portland spent the week end with his mother, Mrs. Anna Saarinen.

Fred Curtis was at home from his work in Peabody, Mass., over the week end.

Mrs. Roy Morgan and son, Gordon, recently visited her husband, who is at the Veterans' Hospital in Togus.

Mrs. Maud Cole, who is with her daughter, Mrs. Roland Hayes, spent Friday with her sisters at West Paris.

Diane Hayes spent Friday evening with his brother, Ardell, at Norway.

Pvt. Kello Saarinen, son of Mrs. Anna Saarinen, recently arrived at Grand Island, N. Y., for duty with the 600th Anti-Aircraft Artillery Battalion. He is an ammunition bearer in the battalion's Battery A, part of the air-ground defense for the Buffalo - Niagara Falls area. He entered the Army in October 1953.

ALBANY - WATERFORD

Lillian L. Brown, Corres.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Brown accompanied June Penfold of South Paris to Waterville, April 7, to attend the funeral of Walter Canwell who passed away April 3rd. Mr. Canwell lived here many years and was one of the best neighbors to be found.

Roy and Walter Lord also attended Mr. Canwell's funeral. Mr. and Mrs. Don Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Dingley, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Moxey were callers at Ernest Brown's Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Grover have moved back to their place after spending some time with her mother, Mrs. Evelyn McKee.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Brown were in Bridgton Friday to visit her sister, Mrs. Lilla Marr and Mrs. Julia Chabourne, who have been staying at Lincoln Burnelles the past month.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Moxey carried her brother, Richard Ayre, to Greenville Saturday afternoon returning early Sunday morning. Mr. Ayre has enlisted in the Army.

Roy Lord and Ernest Grover were recent callers at Browns'. Roy Moxey has purchased an Oldsmobile.

supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Bumpus and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Nell Ward and family of Harrison were Sunday callers of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Inman and family.

Mrs. Mary Hall has returned after visiting her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Archer Knight, at Kennebunkport.

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MAGALLOWAY

Mrs. Bessie Harvey, Corres.

Fred Bennett has been ill with a cold lately. Dr. Brooks of Colebrook came in to see him Thursday. Mrs. Bennett's health is about the same as usual.

Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Harvey drove to Claremont, N. H., and back last Wednesday.

Mrs. Venia Baillargeon, the Ayon Products, Inc., representative from Berlin, N. H., called on the ladies in this vicinity Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alton Fogg of Colebrook visited her mother, Mrs. Fred Bennett, Sunday.

Mrs. James Turner recently purchased a Spanton television set. Mrs. Bertha West and son, Stanley, visited her daughter, Mrs. Hazel Harvey, recently.

We have about four feet of snow beside the roads as yet but some bare ground around buildings.

The Bergeron family from Berlin spent the week end at their camp.

SUNDAY RIVER

Mrs. R. M. Fleet, Corres.

Clark Leighton of Gilead was a visitor of Edward McDonald, Saturday. They went to Berlin in the afternoon.

Mrs. Bertha Bean returned from Boston a week ago.

Elwin Brown has moved a team of horses from Ketchum to his work on the Roger Reynolds lot.

Mrs. R. M. Bean entertained relatives from Mechanic Falls Friday.

Mrs. Lina Reynolds is having much trouble with her eyes.

Kenneth Nowlin and David Fleet both lost time from school by illness last week.

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INDEMNITY INSURANCE COMPANY OF NORTH AMERICA
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
on the 31st day of December 1953 made to the Insurance Commissioner of the State of Pennsylvania

ASSETS	
Bonds	\$82,634,571.95
Stocks	70,919,573.00
Cash and Bank Deposits	10,147,775.83
Agents Balances or Uncollected	
Premiums	11,542,375.14
Other Assets	2,893,938.06
Total Assets	\$178,138,735.98
LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS	
Reserve for Losses	\$61,053,212.00
Loss Adjustment Expenses	8,453,500.00
Unearned Premiums	46,032,882.00
Taxes	4,246,669.57
All Other Liabilities	3,538,890.34
Total Liabilities	\$126,335,154.31
Special Surplus Funds	\$26,803,579.67
Capital Paid Up or Statutory Deposit	5,000,000.00
Unassigned Funds (Surplus)	20,000,000.00
Surplus as Regards Policy-holders	\$51,803,579.67
Total	\$178,138,735.98

MERCHANTS AND FARMERS MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY
6 Harvard Street
Worcester, Massachusetts
on the 31st day of December 1953 made to the Insurance Department of the State of Massachusetts

ASSETS	
Bonds	\$697,451.24
Stocks	37,593.00
Real Estate Owned	47,397.44
Mortgage Loans on Real Estate	5,500.00
Cash and Bank Deposits	74,117.81
Agents Balances or Uncollected	
Premiums	57,840.08
Other Assets	8,301.62
Total Assets	\$928,261.19
LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS	
Reserve for Losses	\$17,838.50
Loss Adjustment Expenses	1,589.94
Unearned Premiums	475,682.10
Taxes	14,165.23
All Other Liabilities	5,431.26
Total Liabilities	\$514,707.02
Unassigned Funds (Surplus)	\$413,554.17
Surplus as Regards Policy-holders	\$413,554.17
Total	\$928,261.19

THE LONDON ASSURANCE (U. S. Branch)
99 John Street
New York, New York
on the 31st day of December 1953 made to the Insurance Department of the State of Maine

ASSETS	
Bonds	\$11,303,847.87
Stocks	7,538,840.09
Cash and Bank Deposits	1,744,266.11
Agents Balances or Uncollected	
Premiums	1,161,716.07
Other Assets	532,634.37
Total Assets	\$22,341,894.42
LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS	
Reserve for Losses	\$2,789,175.02
Loss Adjustment Expenses	186,933.43
Unearned Premiums	8,570,038.17
Taxes	335,374.00
All Other Liabilities	951,644.24
Total Liabilities	\$12,833,255.46
Capital Paid Up or Statutory Deposit	\$500,000.00
Unassigned Funds (Surplus)	\$8,538,638.96
Surplus as Regards Policy-holders	\$9,458,638.96
Total	\$22,341,894.42

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FITCHBURG MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY
Fitchburg, Massachusetts
on the 31st day of December 1953 made to the Insurance Department of the State of Maine

ASSETS	
Bonds	\$676,150.00
Stocks	123,813.00
Real Estate Owned	70,000.00
Cash and Bank Deposits	617,514.77
Agents Balances or Uncollected	
Premiums	97,631.73
Other Assets	7,828.00
Total Assets	\$1,501,968.24
LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS	
Reserve for Losses	\$39,766.23
Loss Adjustment Expenses	5,200.00
Unearned Premiums	875,783.00
Taxes	26,976.25
All Other Liabilities	11,298.80
Total Liabilities	\$932,974.37
Special Surplus Funds	\$5,000.00
Unassigned Funds (Surplus)	\$55,993.87
Surplus as Regards Policy-holders	\$64,993.87
Total	\$1,501,968.24

VERMONT MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY
Montpelier, Vermont
on the 31st day of December 1953 made to the Insurance Department of the State of Maine

ASSETS	
Bonds	\$1,658,375.53
Stocks	156,171.00
Real Estate Owned	138,088.01
Mortgage Loans on Real Estate	398,433.93
Cash and Bank Deposits	616,633.67
Agents Balances or Uncollected	
Premiums	252,745.41
Other Assets	17,287.47
Total Assets	\$3,177,735.83
LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS	
Reserve for Losses	\$189,071.00
Loss Adjustment Expenses	9,797.97
Unearned Premiums	1,828,721.64
Taxes	80,600.11
All Other Liabilities	14,821.16
Total Liabilities	\$2,073,911.83
Unassigned Funds (Surplus)	\$1,103,824.01
Surplus as Regards Policy-holders	\$1,103,824.01
Total	\$3,177,735.83

MIDDLESEX MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY
Concord, Massachusetts
on the 31st day of December 1953 made to the Commissioner of the State of Maine

ASSETS	
Bonds	\$5,268,196.00
Stocks	1,710,078.00
Real Estate Owned	503,639.06
Mortgage Loans on Real Estate	107,538.32
Cash and Bank Deposits	519,951.36
Agents Balances or Uncollected	
Premiums	459,813.70
Other Assets	97,432.07
Total Assets	\$9,166,670.11
LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS	
Reserve for Losses	\$345,001.00
Loss Adjustment Expenses	23,083.91
Unearned Premiums	5,911,783.30
Taxes	144,231.45
All Other Liabilities	61,399.72
Total Liabilities	\$6,485,499.38
Unassigned Funds (Surplus)	\$2,777,274.73
Surplus as Regards Policy-holders	\$2,777,274.73
Total	\$9,166,670.11

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ROYAL EXCHANGE ASSURANCE
London, England
U. S. Branch
111 John St. New York 25, N. Y.
on the 31st day of December 1953 made to the Commissioner of Insurance of the State of Maine

ASSETS	
Bonds	\$5,128,501.25
Stocks	1,123,172.00
Cash and Bank Deposits	\$56,552.87
Agents Balances or Uncollected	
Premiums	\$28,022.31
Other Assets	\$65,045.47
Total Assets	\$11,025,094.53
LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS	
Reserve for Losses	\$1,667,376.29
Loss Adjustment Expenses	105,483.20
Unearned Premiums	\$188,114.63
Taxes	133,919.81
All Other Liabilities	\$90,623.23
Total Liabilities	\$2,185,517.16
Statutory Deposit	\$500,000.00
Unassigned Funds (Surplus)	\$8,041,699.33
Surplus as Regards Policy-holders	\$8,541,699.33
Total	\$11,025,094.53

FIRE ASSOCIATION OF PHILADELPHIA
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
on the 31st day of December 1953 made to the Insurance Commissioner of the State of Pennsylvania

ASSETS	
Bonds	\$25,449,375.14
Stocks	\$1,237,228.18
Real Estate Owned	2,442,517.00
Mortgage Loans on Real Estate	23,719.16
Cash and Bank Deposits	1,987,330.83
Agents Balances or Uncollected	
Premiums	3,076,097.97
Other Assets	1,619,664.49
Total Assets	\$36,751,424.35
LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS	
Reserve for Losses	\$4,506,109.00
Loss Adjustment Expenses	\$87,727.00
Unearned Premiums	\$2,679,561.83
Taxes	1,256,560.00
All Other Liabilities	1,706,870.77
Total Liabilities	\$10,036,828.60
Special Surplus Funds	\$119,057.71
Capital Paid Up or Statutory Deposit	\$3,600,000.00
Unassigned Funds (Surplus)	\$23,176,937.94
Surplus as Regards Policy-holders	\$26,895,995.65
Total	\$36,751,424.35

QUEEN INSURANCE COMPANY OF AMERICA
New York, New York
on the 31st day of December 1953

ASSETS	
Bonds	\$53,931,181.23
Stocks	11,969,785.00
Cash and Bank Deposits	1,930,910.18
Agents Balances or Uncollected	
Premiums	\$2,014,233.32
Other Assets	\$383,991.19
Total Assets	\$69,230,100.81
LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS	
Reserve for Losses	\$13,260,230.06
Loss Adjustment Expenses	\$1,518,665.06
Unearned Premiums	\$3,097,713.11
Taxes	\$2,821,106.03
All Other Liabilities	\$63,802.08
Total Liabilities	\$21,761,516.34
Special Surplus Funds	\$900,502.53
Capital Paid Up	\$5,000,000.00
Unassigned Funds (Surplus)	\$40,568,081.94
Surplus as Regards Policy-holders	\$46,468,584.47
Total	\$69,230,100.81

Comprehensive Liability Insurance for Your Residence as Well as for Your Store and Office Buildings

WE WISH TO EXTEND OUR SINCERE THANKS TO OUR MANY PATRONS.

Years Ago

15 YEARS AGO

Owing to a shortage of manpower the students of Gould Academy volunteered to give their services where wanted to clean up front lawns, sidewalks and streets.

Everett Merrill was elected foreman of the Bethel Pumper Company.

Death: Perley E. Mason.

25 YEARS AGO

Lon E. Wright announced his candidacy for State Senatorship on the Republican ticket.

William A. Chapin Jr. was attending graduate school at Clark University to complete his work for a doctor's degree.

Deaths: Virgil McAllister, William Heath, Ellsworth March.

35 YEARS AGO

Ray and Elva Cummings returned from a motor trip to California, having left Bethel the previous October. They traveled 11,000 miles on their western trip.

Pulpwood was being driven in the meadow brooks.

Plans were underway to hold a County YMCA convention in Bethel.

Death: A. C. Farwell.

45 YEARS AGO

Three road commissioners were appointed by the Bethel selectmen. They were: Earl Bethel, George H. Swan, Center Bethel, H. M. Farwell; West Bethel, W. D. Mills.

Albert Silver and Earl Cummings attended automobile school in Portland.

The brick school house was wired for electricity. Jameson Finney did the work.

Frank Gibson bought the Henry Perkins house, Northwest Bethel, and moved his family there.

Death: John Clark Saunders.

BROWNIES

Brownies Troop No. 3 met with a present. We received our clovers today. These are reserved for our second year in Brownies. Mrs. Ethel Robertson assisted today. We enjoyed refreshments. — Nancy Brown, reporter.

LOCAL HOLSTEIN PRODUCES 12,250 POUNDS OF MILK IN 365 DAY TEST

With 12,250 pounds of milk and 660 pounds of butterfat in her credit, Old Home Bethune, a registered Holstein-Friesian cow owned by Paul C. Thurston, Bethel, has completed a 365-day production test in official Advanced Registry testing.

She was milked two times daily and was five years four months when she began her testing period. Her record averages approximately 18 quarts of milk daily for the period covered by her test.

Testing was supervised by the University of Maine in cooperation with the Holstein Friesian Association of America.

Maine potatoes are rich in food value and low in calories. They taste good and they're good for you. What more can you ask?

PROBATE APPOINTMENTS

The following subscribers hereby give notice that they have received the appointments as indicated from the Probate Court of Oxford County. All persons having demands against the estates represented by them are desired to present the same for settlement and all indebted there are requested to make payment immediately.

Arthur C. Gibbs late of Bethel deceased. Richard L. Davis of Bethel, Administrator with bond March 28, 1954.

William J. Greig late of Bethel deceased. Mary Greig of Bethel, Administratrix without bond Feb. 23, 1954.

STATE OF MAINE

To all persons interested in either of the Estates hereinafter named: At a Probate Court held at Paris, in and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of March in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty-four, from day to day from the third Tuesday of said March. The following matters having been presented for the action thereupon hereinafter indicated, it is hereby Ordered:

That notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Bethel Citizen a newspaper published at Bethel in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at Paris, on the third Tuesday of April A. D. 1954, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereon if they see cause.

Laura E. Kimball, late of Albany, deceased. First Account presented for allowance by Maude E. Kimball, administratrix.

Witness: Station C. Hayes Judge of said Court at Paris, this third Tuesday of March in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty-four.

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OXFORD COUNTY DAY AT MAINE BREEDING CO-OP A SUCCESS

The Oxford County 4-H Dairy Day at the Maine Breeding Co-operative was a great success. Over 50 dairy members, parents, and leaders attended. Ten 4-H clubs were represented, and several boys from the Norway Future Farmers of America Club, Clubs represented were the following: Bethel, Happy Herdmen; Buckfield, Merry Workers and Buckfield Bees; Canton Point, Busy Workers; Denmark, Busy Bees; Norway, Center Whippers; Norway, Helping 4-H; Rumford Center, Wonder Workers; East Waterford, Peterville Pluggers; and Vassalboro, Bull Farm Hustlers.

The arrangements for the day were made by Harold Bennett, one of the directors of the Maine Breeding Co-op. Paul Brown, manager, welcomed the group. Fieldman for the Maine Breeding Co-op, Richard Tubbs, told the boys and girls about good feed and how to feed the dairy animal. Jere Picard, also fieldman for Maine Breeding Co-op, told about judging a dairy animal, what the judge looks for, and good showmanship. Norman News, Extension dairyman, also told about good showmanship.

Members who attended and who will put to use what they learned, will feel more confident in showing at the fairs this fall.

To follow up this meeting, there will be an Oxford County 4-H showmanship day at the Oxford County fair grounds, Norway, July 10, and an Oxford County 4-H Dairy Show at the fair grounds on Saturday, July 24.

Thank you for the flowers, books and cards, and kindnesses received following my automobile accident.

Trifton Foster

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AS CRIPPLED CHILDREN ATTEND CAMP LAST YEAR THRU EASTER SEAL SALES

Despite their crutches and wheelchairs, crippled children from Maine spend many happy days each summer at Pine Tree Camp, stated Mrs. Marie I. Preston, executive director of the Pine Tree Society for Crippled Children and Adults.

As the 1954 Easter Seal appeal enters its final days Mrs. Preston revealed that contributors to the 1953 drive made it possible for 83 crippled children from this state to attend camp last summer.

"We can make sure that even more crippled children from Maine will attend the Pine Tree Camp next summer, by contributing as generously as we all possibly can to the Easter Seal appeal which ends Easter Sunday, April 18th," Mrs. Preston said.

Mrs. Preston pointed out: "Many crippled children spend too much time at home or in the hospital and too little time with other youngsters. For that reason, the recreation and association with others found in camping is usually more urgently needed by the crippled children. These children need the opportunity to mingle with other youngsters; to learn new skills and to develop their own ideas in a friendly, relaxed atmosphere, just like every child who leaves home for a vacation at camp."

In 1945, Mrs. Preston organized for the Society the first camp in Maine for crippled children, with a staff of 35, and 85 children between the ages of 8 and 16. The improvement shown at the end of 8 weeks convinced the Society that camping definitely helped crippled children. The camp was

purchased from the Easter Seal funds, and now includes 80 cabins, 100 acres of woodlands and 1½ miles of waterfront, with ideal conditions for handicapped youngsters.

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V. A. NEWS LETTER

Almost 100,000 post-Korea veterans have taken out the insurance available to them upon separation from active service, according to M. L. Stoddard, manager, Veterans Administration Center, Togus, Maine.

To these new policyholders, Stoddard gives this advice:

First, get into the habit of paying all premiums when they are due. Although the law allows a "grace period" of 31 days during which the policy remains in effect even if a premium due is not paid, veterans should consider this provision and reserve it for an emergency.

Second, do not send cash through the mail in paying premiums, but use a check or money order payable to the Veterans Administration. Your canceled check or money order stub will serve as a receipt.

Third, be sure to name your beneficiaries and have this information recorded by VA. This may be done through the VA Center, Togus, Maine, or VA offices located at 171 Middle Street, Portland, Maine and 96 Harlow Street, Bangor, Maine.

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BOY SCOUT REPORT

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